



ke place in London, will now be held online following the Government

Synod's Business Committee examined alternatives including a hybrid meeting or reduced attendance to comply with restrictions but has reluctantly concluded that the only viable option is to hold the group of sessions from July 9 to 12 remotely.

As a result, the timetable for the event has been slimmed down slightly, with some items better suited to a face-to-face meeting postponed and some extra screen breaks introduced.

In a letter to Synod members, the Clerk to the Synod Dr Jacqui Philips, said: "The Committee gave careful consideration to all options, including an in-person meeting, a hybrid meeting and a remote meeting.

"The Committee took legal advice regarding the ongoing restrictions and considered the health and safety options for a physical, socially-distanced meeting in Church House Westminster.

"Having done so, the Committee very reluctantly concluded that the only safe and deliverable option for next month is for Synod to meet on a remote basis."

- Papers for Synod will be published on Thursday June 24 on the [Synod section](#) of the Church of England website.
- The [revised timetable](#) is now available.